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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REPLY TO OBASANJO'S CONGRATULATORY
MESSAGE

1. PLEASE RELAY THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT
CARTER TO THE HEAD OF STATE.
2. QUOTE THANK YOU FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL AND HEARTENING
MESSAGE OF GOOD WISHES AS I ASSUME MY NEW RESPONSIBILITIES
AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.
3. QUOTE YOU HAVE MY ASSURANCE THAT THE UNITED STATES
WILL CONTINUE ITS COMMITMENT TO WORLD PEACE AND THE
STRENGTHENING OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION.
4. QUOTE I WANT TO STRENGTHEN THE TIES OF FRIENDSHIP
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BETWEEN THE PEOPLE OF YOUR COUNTRY AND OURS. SINCERELY,
JIMMY CARTER UNQUOTE.

5. FYI: THE FOLLOWING CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE FROM
GENERAL OBASANJO WAS TRANSMITTED TO PRESIDENT CARTER
UNDER COVER OF DIPLOMATIC NOTE FROM THE NIGERIAN EMBASSY
IN WASHINGTON DATED JANUARY 24.

6. QUOTE ON BEHALF OF MYSELF, THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA, I SHOULD LIKE TO CONVEY TO YOU AND TO MRS. CARTER SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS AND GOOD WISHES ON THE OCCASION OF YOUR INAUGURATION AS THE 39TH PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

7. QUOTE THE PEOPLE OF NIGERIA AND THE PEOPLE OF YOUR GREAT COUNTRY SHARE A COMMON BELIEF IN THE FREEDOM, EQUALITY AND DIGNITY OF MAN, IN LIFE, LIBERTY AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS AND OF A JUST SOCIETY. IT IS OUR HOPE AND CONVICTION THAT THE BONDS OF GOODWILL WHICH HAVE ALWAYS EXISTED BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES WILL BE FURTHER STRENGTHENED UNDER YOUR ABLE AND ENLIGHTENED PRESIDENCY, AND THAT THE UNITED STATES AND NIGERIA WILL CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER MORE CLOSELY THAN EVER BEFORE FOR THE MUTUAL BENEFIT OF OUR PEOPLES AND THE ENHANCEMENT OF THE QUALITY OF HUMAN LIFE, PEACE AND INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING.

8. QUOTE PLEASE ACCEPT, MR. PRESIDENT, THE EXPRESSION OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION AND ESTEEM. LT.-GENERAL OLUSEGUN OBASANJO, HEAD OF THE FEDERAL MILITARY GOVERNMENT, COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE NIGERIAN ARMED FORCES. UNQUOTE

9. THE WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT INTEND TO RELEASE THIS EXCHANGE OF MESSAGES, BUT HAS NO OBJECTION IF THE FMG WISHES TO DO SO.

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